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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE  
PROTECTION USING LATERAL PNP OR PMOS OR BOTH FOR SUBSTRATE  
BIASING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, insert the following added paragraph:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO PRIOR APPLICATIONS

This is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/546,988 filed 04/11/00 which  
claims priority under 35 USC 119(e)(1) of provisional application number 60/129,466  
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